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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

This paper and the accompanying Request for Continued Examination (RCE) are being submitted in response to the Final Office Action dated March 15, 2006, having a shortened statutory period for response expiring June 15, 2006. Further examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on **page 2** of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on **page 35** of this paper.